



The Hon. Dr Geoff Lee MP

Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education

Acting Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans

Dear RSL NSW sub-Branch Executives and Members,

We are pleased to advise that the NSW Government has been working with RSL NSW, NSW Police Force, NSW Health, and other key agencies to ensure that ANZAC Day commemorations can proceed in a COVID-safe way in communities across our State.

Under the current health advice at 11 February 2021 it is permissible to organise a controlled outdoor event, including an outdoor Dawn Service or commemoration:

Within Greater Sydney:

- Up to 500 people, if people are assigned to a seating area (2sqm rule)
- Up to 2,000 people, if people are assigned to a specific seat (2sqm rule)

Outside of Greater Sydney:

- Up to 3,000 people, if people are assigned to a seating area (2sqm rule)
- Up to 5,000 people, if people are assigned to a specific seat (2sqm rule)

Please refer to nsw.gov.au for full details including maximum number of guests permitted within your region and continue to monitor this site, restrictions and guidance may change.

We encourage you to start planning with your Council and Police Area Command for any local ANZAC Day events. Please take on board any feedback they provide, including suggestions for possible alternative arrangements for commemorations or Marches.

Any sub-Branch organising an ANZAC Day March must submit a Notice of Intention to Hold a Public Assembly form to your local Police Area Command well ahead of the event, and should also notify Council and all relevant authorities and stakeholders.

All events will require a COVID-19 Safety Plan that addresses the matters in a checklist approved by the Chief Health Officer. The responsibility rests with the sub-Branch event organiser to ensure your commemorative events comply with all current regulations.

Given the constantly changing nature of this pandemic, this advice is based on the current regulations and your events may need to change or be cancelled at any time.

To assist you in preparing for ANZAC Day, RSL NSW has created a list of helpful information which is available on the [website](#).

Please stay up to date with the latest NSW Government COVID-19 regulations by regularly checking nsw.gov.au.

Thank you for supporting our veterans to commemorate this important day.

Yours sincerely,

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Acting NSW Minister for Veterans

Ray James
RSL NSW President